

PHILS DEFEATS MAR GIANTS' RECORD-THE PHILS MISSED CLEAN SLATE BY SIX BEATINGS

ONLY ATTACK PHILS HAVE SHOWN TO DATE IS OF ANCIENT VINTAGE. AN OFFENSIVE THAT IS OFFENSIVE... Soon Will Resurrect That Old and Noxious Query, "What Is the Matter With the Phils?" Unless Reform Is Accomplished

BACK in the dark ages, before the Phillies centered to a championship under the leadership of Pat Moran and were known as the Pennantless Princes of Philadelphia, a query was born on the lips of Quaker City fans which was repeated often that it became a dirge of failure. In those cheerless days when two followers of our national pastime met they gazed at each other with cheerless eyes and then chanted the noxious words, "What is the matter with the Phils?"

THE mere fact that twenty-one of Moran's athletes have been stranded on the pucks in the last two games tells the story. They have not been advancing on their own initiative and the timely blows necessary to move them have not been forthcoming.

The Old Army Game Should Be Shot at Sunrise

THE old army game may be fine business when a team is in the throes of a terrific hitting streak that may come once in a season, but as a daily dish it is sure way to the cellar. It is distinctly up to the Phillies to digest this fact and show something on the bases. To date stolen sacks have been as plentiful as pacifists in Ireland. Their attack has lacked fire as well as everything else, and as a consequence some splendid pitching has been totally ruined.

THERE is always a mountain of hope for the team which is ready to fight and has a proper amount of confidence. It must be remembered that Whitted, Stock and Niehoff, one-third of the team, did not enjoy the benefits of southern training, and as a consequence the club was not a smooth working machine when the season opened.

No-Hit Games Are Quite Popular This Year

GEORGE MOGRIDGE busted into select society with his no-hit game against the Red Sox yesterday. George got by in swell shape, although he allowed the enemy one run, which came after an error, a pass and two sacrifices. But the Yankee hurler chafes nothing of the one score against him. That hitless stuff is the goal he has been shooting at since entering the league, and now that he has it George doesn't feel any better than a guy with a \$1000 check.

NOW we are prepared for an avalanche of questions, entitled "Are the pitchers in the American League better than those in the National League or are the batters in the National League stronger than those in the American League?" Right now we decline to answer. We are neutral.

Athletics Have a Game Baseball Team

THE Athletics have made more than one game uphill fight this season. After vanquishing the Red Sox in an extra-inning game, they came right back at Washington with another and won out. They are fighting every minute, and not until the last man is out in the ninth do they quit. Yesterday's game with the Senators is an example. Griff's men walloped Elmer Myers for six runs in the second, giving them the lead by the score of 7 to 1.

THE A's registered seven legal swats yesterday, thus proving that they have not yet lost their batting eyes. Stuffy McInnis headed the list with two, which adds to his record. Stuffy is beginning to attract much attention with his hitting and has a chance to establish a unique record.

DETROIT again fell by the wayside when it had the game sewed up and allowed St. Louis to score seven runs in one inning yesterday. As usual, the Tiger pitchers floundered and the Browns did the rest. Too bad Jennings can't develop some regular twirlers.

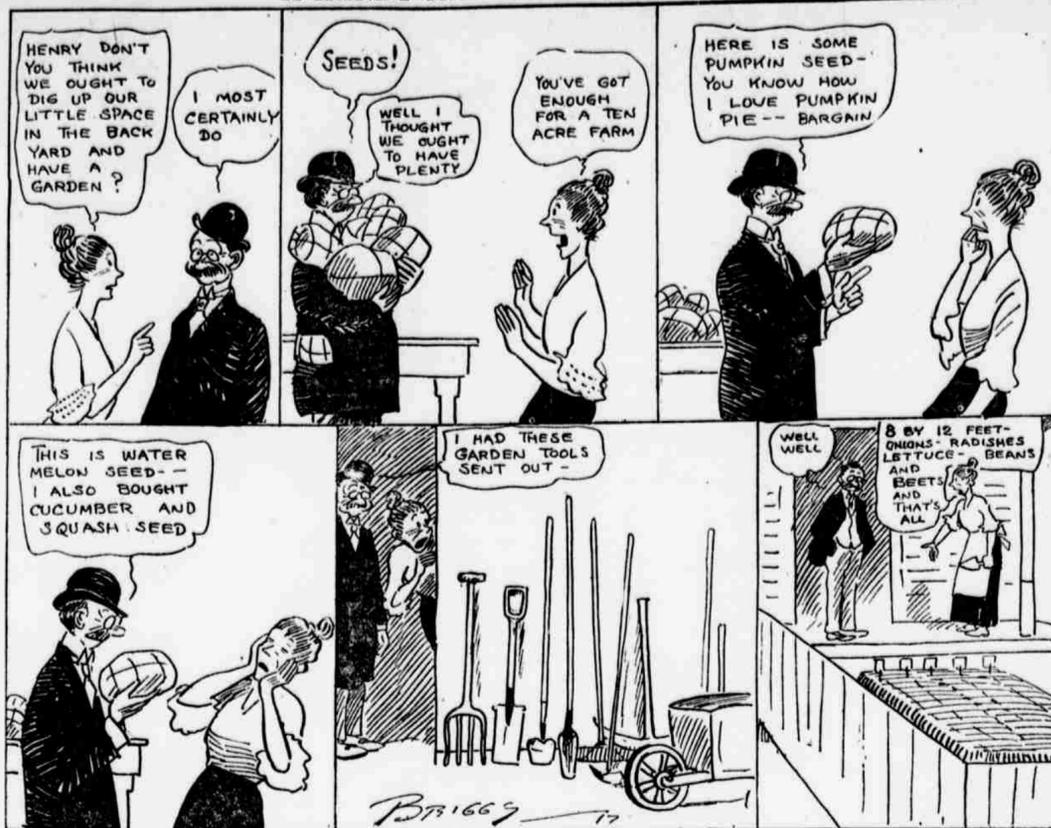
THE White Sox beat Cleveland and made only two hits. All of which goes to show that the number of hits do not figure in the percentage column when a series contender is picked. The Indians made five safeties off Scott.

LAST year when it came time for Jim Thorpe to make his annual pilgrimage, McGraw shipped him to Milwaukee. This year he was sent to Cincinnati, and surely is going back.

SIMPSON, the world's greatest hurdler, will not compete in the Pennsylvania carnival on Friday afternoon. Owing to the cessation of public competitions, the majority of Missouri funds itself without any funds to send Simpson East.

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A HANDY MAN ABOUT THE HOUSE



GERMANTOWN HIGH BEATS WEST PHILA.

Coach Lewis's Boys Suddenly Come to Life and Win League Title

CENTRAL HIGH ALSO WINS

Germantown High pulled the surprise yesterday when the uptown team took West Philadelphia High School into camp by a score of 7 to 2. In addition to losing this game, the West Phils were informed that they must play Trades School over again, as the ten-inning victory of last Friday would not count in the league.

Dixon pitched for the Orange and Blue, but he was in very good trim, while Knip, the Germantown twirler, was doing great work. He did not allow the West Phils a single hit until the fourth inning. Buchanan's timely triple in the first inning scored Hein, Burnett and Surgeson.

It was just the tonic the Germantown players needed. Keeyed up to their highest form, they added three more runs in the fifth inning. Schaeffer's timely single and an error enabled Surgeson, Kidd and Kirby to tally. Brown's home run in the ninth was the only redeeming feature for the losers.

Central High is going strong in the Inter-scholastic League. The victory over Frankford High yesterday, 9 to 6, gave the Crimson and Gold second place in the league. Trades School is now leading with one game won. Silverman's work with the stick was the feature of Central's victory.

When Drew, the Northeast High twirler, hit the ball clear down the field he scored the home run which tied the score and won the Northeast game. The game 6 to 6 with South Philadelphia.

La Salle College and St. Joseph's College play their first big game at Potter's Field, Front street and Erie avenue, this afternoon. Francis Mena, a Mexican, will twirl for La Salle College. Coach Patiszillo also has Wescott ready to send on the mound.

Brown Preparatory cannot very well help to Brown baseball games when "Bob" McKenty pitches. If Connie Mack hasn't already signed him up it wouldn't hurt the Athletics' manager to look McKenty over. He has the stuff. The Chestnut Hill and many other schoolboy players will admit.

Brown beat Chestnut Hill yesterday 4 to 9. Rather, McKenty beat Chestnut Hill. In spite of the fact that Rometch "brought down the house" with a catch in right field, a one-handed grab that robbed McKenty of a two-bagger; notwithstanding the fact that Cramp gathered in Whittaker's long fly to deep center field by making an "over-the-left-shoulder" catch and regardless of Taylor's wonderful running catch, the Brownies won.

McKenty is the answer. He allowed only one hit. That was Rose's single along the third-base foul line. The Brownies think he should be credited with a no-hit game, but the Chestnut Hill crowd thought otherwise.

At any rate McKenty's feat was exceptionally good. According to the Germantown Academy boys the St. Luke's School baseball players thought they were perfectly justified in leaving the field in the third inning and defaulting the game to Germantown Academy when Umpire Greer ruled that the coacher at third base had no right to touch the Wayne players who wanted to leave the field, and schoolboys should knock better.

TWO PENNSY ATHLETES JOIN NAVAL RESERVES. Johnny Titzel, pitcher of the University of Pennsylvania, enlisted in the United States Naval Reserve and expects to be called out within a week or so. In Titzel, Penn will lose the best left-hander it has had for several years. He is a sophomore and was the star of the freshman team last season.

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Youth Remains With Fan as Long as It Does With Old Stars, and When Players Pass He Grows Old Overnight

By GRANTLAND RICE

HE WAS what you might call a fan of the old regime. He was a confirmed delegate to Rooters' Row more than twenty years ago—back when Lajoie and Wagner were just breaking in—when big Ed Delahanty was tearing down fences and Willie Keeler was piking along around 372.

The first time we ran across him was back in 1905, when Mathewson smashed all world series records by pitching three shut-outs in a row against one of the hardest hitting clubs of the game. He was then nearly forty—and that was twelve campaigns ago. But he looked to be something under thirty.

For his devotion to sport—the game that belongs to youth—had held him young. He was following, and in doing so he had forgotten to grow old. Last spring, when he had passed fifty, he had still forgotten that Time had been checking off the hours and days. He looked to be under forty.

"I'd be sixty," "Why, fifty isn't old. There's Hans out there at forty-two, still showing up most of these infielders around twenty-five. And Larry at forty looks like a kid. Fifty may be old if you work in a bank, but it's nothing when you are out here in the stands watching these kids like Wagner and Lajoie and Matty flop around."

We saw him again a few days ago, and we hardly knew him. He looked to be beyond forty. He looked wrinkled and tired. He was looking across the field in a listless way. We thought at first he probably had come upon some serious illness.

"I guess I'm not as young as I thought I was. But I never realized it until a few days ago—until I looked over the box score to see how Lajoie, Wagner, Evers and Matty were getting along. But all I saw was Ward and Grover and Massey and Schneider where the old bunch used to be."

"Ward and Grover and Massey and Schneider in place of Wagner, Lajoie, Evers and Matty—and I had been thinking they were still a lot of kids."

Sport and Youth. Sport comes closer than anything else to being that fabled fountain of eternal youth which Ponce de Leon hunted for over a sportsless way, and in doing so he had forgotten to grow old.

This last winter at Pinehurst we watched two golfers leave the first tee. One was seventy and the other was seventy-three. But neither looked to be a day over fifty-five. Both were tanned a healthy brown—and the eyes of both still carried the vital spark.

"I remember," remarked an oldtimer, "when those first started coming here, over fifteen years ago. They looked older than they look today, and in everything except years they were."

The sun and the wind and the open places, mixed with the spirit of play, are the great youth makers.

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The Wild Ball. A short time ago the Boston Braves suddenly began an exhibition of wild pegging.

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OLGA DORFNER IN "220" TITLE SWIM

Philadelphia Star Will Defend Tank Crown in New York

MEET SCHEDULED MAY 5

The national 220-yard championship race for women will be held in New York on May 5, and will bring together the greatest women swimmers in the country. Entries have been received from swimmers all over the country, but Miss Dorothy Burns, of San Francisco; Miss Claire Galagan, of New York; and Miss Olga Dorfner, of this city, are the favorites.

On May 17 the annual intercity swimming meet between the women swimmers of New York and Philadelphia will be held in the Philadelphia Turngemeinde pool. The Philadelphia swimmers splashed through the drink a handy winner over the New Yorkers last season, and expect to repeat this season.

Miss Dorfner, the champion and record holder of the 50, 100 and 220 yard races, will compete in these races. Miss Penne-packer, the Middle Atlantic diving champion, won the diving event last year after a hard battle with Miss Bartlett, the metropolitan champion, and a member of the New York squad.

DARCY'S BAN IN OHIO RINGS IS NOT LIFTED

COLUMBUS, O., April 25.—Les Darcy won't box in Ohio. Governor Cox said so emphatically today when informed Promoter Stambaugh and a party from Youngstown are coming to see him in regard to Darcy's mill scheduled in Youngstown next month.

Cox said he would give out a statement later today explaining his refusal to permit Darcy's appearance in this State.

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PENN PENTATHLON HAS STAR ENTRIES

Hoot, Local Lad at Swarthmore, to Vie for Berry's Title

ON FRIDAY'S PROGRAM

The pentathlon championship on Friday, the first day of Pennsylvania's two-day relay race carnival, promises to be one of the big features. All eyes of Philadelphia will be turned on Howard Berry, one of the most famous athletes in America and a real Philadelphia product. Berry has won this all-around competition, emblematic of the college all-around championship of America, for the last two years. He will need to be in the best of shape, for the entries are the best that have ever been received for such a college competition. They contain fifteen names.

It is possible that Burke, of Wisconsin, and Thomson, two very good men, will not be allowed to come because of the war, but even without them Berry will have very hard competition. Coach Mercer, of Swarthmore, has been grooming another Philadelphia boy ever since Christmas for this event. He is Hoot, formerly of the Friends' Central School. Hoot is good with the javelin and the discus and a fair broad jumper. He should run Berry very close in these three events. Coach Mercer expects him to win the discus and possibly the javelin. He has thrown the long spear more than 160 feet in practice. Berry also has done this, and it may be that the result of the contest will hinge on this event. It is thought that Berry will win both the 200 meters and the 1500 meters run, though it is said that Hoot has shown excellent speed for the shorter distance.

Gillo, of Colgate, will be backed by his Hamilton, New York, friends to beat Berry. Gillo is a fine all-around athlete, being especially good at the runs and the broad jump. His chances against Berry will depend on his ability to throw the discus and the javelin. Jones, Dambly and Wilson, of Penn State, have worked faithfully for the last three months on this event. Coach Martin says that they are all good men and that he thinks one of them will prove to be the winner.

In addition to these men, Ganzel, of Bucknell; McCarthy, of Lehigh; Roberts, of Syracuse, and Creighton, of Pennsylvania, are entered.

Tuohey Easy for Dundee. NEW YORK, April 25.—Johnny Dundee, of this city, was a faithful winner over Tommy Tuohey, of Paterson, N. J., in a ten-round bout in Brooklyn last night. Dundee weighed 132 pounds, and Tuohey, 131.

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